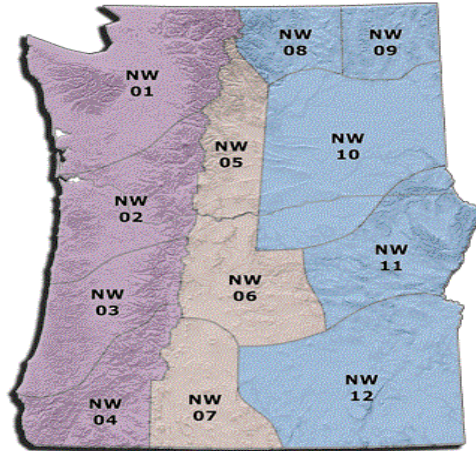


Pacific Northwest 7 Day Significant Fire Potential



Friday, 4/2/2021



Legend

Fire Environment (FEN) 4 levels

Minimal	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a very low risk for Large fires (less than 1% chance)
Normal	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a <u>normal</u> risk for large fires (1 - 4% chance)
Elevated	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a moderately high risk for large fires (5 - 19% chance)
High Risk	The risk for large fire(s) is very high (≥ 20%) Triggers: 1. ✓ (Significant Lightning) 2. BEN (Critical Burn Environment)

The assessment of the overall fire environment considers multiple factors including weather, lightning amount and fuel dryness. Large Fire probabilities are derived objectively via statistical methods. **High Risk** levels (≥ 20% probability of a large fire) are almost always due to significant lightning as burning conditions alone rarely result in a large fire probability much above about 10%.

Predictive Service		Today	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
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Fire Weather: Warm and mostly dry conditions will persist in the Pacific Northwest into the weekend with maybe a stray shower in northwestern Washington today. Locally breezy afternoons are possible around the east side basins through the weekend. A weather system will start into western Washington Saturday afternoon, bringing cooler temperatures and potential for more widespread light precipitation to western Washington and northwestern Oregon Sunday with lesser precipitation chances further south and east, focused on higher elevations. Lower elevations on the east side of the region are not expected to receive much, if any rain as the system moves through Sunday into Monday. Models show little agreement in the details moving into next week, but suggest potential for periodic damp weather. Watch your latest NWS forecasts for evolving details.

Fire Potential: Potential for development of significant fires remains at a seasonably typical low level. While wind speeds will not be alarming, breezy conditions over the next several afternoons slightly boost the potential for fire spread in fine fuels at low elevations on the east side of the region.

Preparedness Level:

Northwest: 1
National: 1

- Eric Wise